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25X1 1. In private conversation with a leading functionary of the East  
CDU, Soviet Ambassador Pushkin and Walter Ulbricht have lately  
emphasized the possibility of war in May of this year. Both  
Pushkin and Ulbricht base their supposition on increased arma-  
ment production in the United States. This alleged threat of  
war has been their reason for measures taken against function-  
aries of the middle-class parties in the Soviet Zone. Only  
those members of middle-class parties who unconditionally  
support the Soviets will be tolerated. Any support for the  
idea of a neutral Germany is branded as treason against the  
Soviet Union.

25X1 2. [redacted] the Polit Büro of the SED has  
decided to set up a dictatorship of the proletariat in the  
Soviet Zone. In this case, too, the reason for succeeding un-  
political "developments" is the alleged threat of war. By  
way of preparation for the crisis, a new liquidation is to  
take place within the SED. It will be mainly directed against  
moderates who were formerly members of the SPD.

25X1 [redacted] Comments: It is perhaps unnecessary to point out  
that the CDU is often used for planting rumors and  
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